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G.O. No. 4366

Dated 25-11-48

[Despatch Abstract.]

Passport, Visaes, Entry and Transit visas for India- Grant of- Instructions of the Government of India- Recorded.

Government of Madras.
Abstract.

PASSPORT-Visas- Entry and Transit visas for India- Grant of- Instructions of the Government of India- Recorded.

Home Department.

G.O Ms. No. 4366, Dated 25th November 1948
Read the following:-

G.O. Ms. No. 3990, Home dated 28th October 1948
From the Government of India, Ministry of External Affairs and Commonwealth Relations, No.F-4 (12)- PV (II) /48, dated 17th November, 1948.

Subject:- Categories of foreigners who should be granted Diplomatic and Official Visas for India.

I am directed to refer to endorsement from the Ministry of External Affairs and Commonwealth Relations, No.F-4 (12) PV (II) /48 dated the 21st October, 1948, and to forward herewith a copy of Circular No. PV-1 dated the 9th December 1947 (with enclosure), issued to Indian Representatives abroad which is referred to in our Circular No.PV-20 dated the 9th October, 1948.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
Ministry of External Affairs and Commonwealth Relations.

New Delhi, The 9th Decr. 1947.

Circular No. PV-1
(34. (50-P/47))

Subject: Procedure for the grant of visas for India.

Entry and transit visas for India should be affixed on the passports of foreigners in the following form:-

VISA

SEEN AT.....	..... (Embassy/consulate of India, etc.,)
.....	.....(Washing/Saigon, etc.)
GOOD FOR A SINGLE JOURNEY TO INDIA WITHIN * MONTHS OF DATE HEREOF, IF PASSPORT REMAINS VALID.	.....* (6 months, unless a shorter or longer period is specifically authorized)
PERICD OF STAY IN INDIA	
%..... MONTHS	.....(% see paragraph 4 below).
.....	.....(quote authority, if any)
.....	.....(Signature of Issuing Officer)
.....	.....(Designation)
No.	
Date.....	

(ii) Transit Visas.

VISA

SEEN AT.....	....(Embassy/Consulate of India etc)
.....	....(Washington/Saigon, etc.)
GOOD FOR A SINGLE JOURNEY THROUGH INDIA IN TRANSIT TO.....	....(State final destination)
WITHIN *.....MONTHS, OF	....(*5 months, unless a shorter or longer period is specifically authorised)
DATE HEREOF, IF PASSPORT REMAINS VALID	
VALID FOR NOT MORE THAN 15 DAYS STAY IN INDIA	
.....	...(quote authority, if any)
.....	...(Signature of Issuing Officer)
.....	...(Designation)
No.....	
Date.....	

2. In cases where visas are specifically authorized by the Government of India for any number of journeys within a specified period, the words "A SINGLE JOURNEY" should be substituted by the "JOURNEYS"

3. Entry visas will be valid for 6 months, and transit visas for 3 months, from the date of issue except when a shorter or longer period is specifically authorized by the Government of India. If the journey to, or through, India is not completed within the prescribed period a fresh visa will be required.

4.(a) In the case of entry visas, the period of stay in India should be determined on the merits of each case and should not ordinarily exceed one year, it being left to the foreigner concerned to obtain further extension in India if necessary.

(b) In the case of persons falling under the following categories, the period of stay in India should not be limited to any particular period, but the words: "ON GOVERNMENT DUTY" should be entered in the space provided against "PERIOD OF STAY IN INDIA":-

(i) Foreign diplomatic and consular officers coming to their posts in India.

(ii) Foreign Officials coming to join established posts in India, (excluding officials visiting this country for a specific purpose)

5. In the case of diplomatic visas, the heading should be

:-DIPLOMATIC VISA:

6. In the case of visas granted to foreign Government officials, the word: (OFFICIAL) should be written against No. (E.G. No.25 (Official)

7. Arrangements are being made for the supply of rubber stamps for entry and transit visas.

8. A specimen of the form of application for the grant of visas for India is forwarded herewith. Arrangements are being made for the supply of additional copies. The requirement of getting the form filled may be waived by the visa issuing authority at his discretion, as a matter of courtesy, in the case of diplomatic and consular officers, foreign officials, and distinguished foreigners well-known to the visa issuing authority.

A.K. Sen,
Under Secretary.

O r d e r :-

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(By Order of His Excellency the Governor)

P.M. Nayak,
Deputy Secretary to Government

To
The Commissioner of Police, Madras
The Superintendent of Police, Special Branch, C.I.D Madras.

/True Copy/

Superintendent.

Home (M) Department.

Letter Ref. No. 102636 M/48-1 dated 15-12-48.

To
The Secretary to the Government of India,
Ministry of Home Affairs,
New Delhi- 3

Sir,

Sub: Passports - Residential Permits to Diplomatic and Consular Officers- Grant of-
Ref: From the Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, Letters No. F.4 (12) -PV (II)/ 48 dated the 21st/23rd October, 1948 and 17th November 1948.

I am to request that this Government may kindly be informed whether in the case of foreign Diplomatic and Consular Officers and Foreign Officials coming to their posts in India holding visas which do not specify the period of stay in India, residential permits may be issued as in the case of other foreigners and whether the period of stay in the case of such persons may be restricted, and if so, for what period.

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No.6/35/49-F-1
Government of India
Ministry of Home Affairs.

From

Gulzar Singh Esq., M.A.,
Assistant Secretary to the Government of India,

To

The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Home Department Madras.

New Delhi, 3, the 27th August 1949.

Sir,

With reference to the correspondence resting with the Provincial Government's express letter No.102636. M/48-7, dated the 21st July 1949, I am directed to say that the foreign diplomatic and Consular Officers and officials coming to their posts in India, should be permitted to remain in India for so long as they are employed in their missions. Their residential permits may be endorsed as shown below:-

"Period of stay in India- on duty".

Yours faithfully,
Sd/ G.Singh)

Assistant Secretary to the Government
of India.

True Copy

(C. No.102636. M2/48) Home (M) Department

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Endt. No.102636. M/48-8 dated 8-7-49

Passport- Residential permits to Diplomatic and Consular Officers- Grant of
Ref: G.O. Ms. No.4366, Home dated 25-11-1948.

A copy of letter No. 6/35/49-F-1 dated 27th August 1949 received from the Government of India Ministry of Home Affairs is communicated to the Commissioner of Police, Madras, and the Superintendent of Police Spl. Branch, C.I.D., Madras, in continuation of the G.O. cited.

2. The Superintendent of Police, Spl, Branch, C.I.D., is requested to issue necessary instructions in the matter to all District and Port Regn. Officers.

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7-9-49

To
The Commr. of Police Madras (with copy of p.23 c.f)
The Supdt. of Police S.B., C.I.D., Madras
(with copy of p.23 c.f) with reference to his No.2303/M, dated 4/8-12-48.

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Letter Ref No.102636. M/49-9 dated 8-9-49

To
The Chief Secretary to the Government of H.H. the Maharaja of Mysore, Bangalore.
The Chief Secretary to the Govt. of the United State Travancore and Chochin, Ernakulam.
The Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of Hyderabad, General Administration Dept (Political) Hyderabad (Dn)

Sir,

Passport- Residential permits to Diplomatic and Consular officers- Grant of
Ref: Mr. Nayak's Express Letter No.97713. M/48-1, dated 26th November 1948.

I am directed to say that the Government of India have since informed this Government that the foreign diplomatic and Consular officers and officials coming to their posts in India should be permitted to remain in India for so long as they are employed in their missions and that their residential permits may be endorsed as shown below:-

"Period of stay in India- on duty"

Yours faithfully,

Sd x x x 7-9-49

Note:- After issue the papers may be filed with the G.O. No. 4366, Home dated 26-11-1948

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Superintendent
Madras Record Office.